## **REQUEST** Application Number 10/624,421 **FOR** Filing Date July 22, 2003 **CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** First Named Inventor Van D. Nguyen TRANSMITTAL Group Art Unit 2185 Address to: Mail Stop RCE Examiner Name Jae U. Yu Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Attorney Docket 400.191US01 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R.§1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and 1. amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s). a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on . Other: ii. **Enclosed** b. Amendment/Reply Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) ii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (0 pgs.); PTO Form 1449 (0 pgs.); 0 Cited References iii. X Other: Amendment to Accompany Request for Continued Examination (9 pgs.) iv. 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) a. for a period of 0 months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required) b. Other: 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$790.00 for the RCE fee, and charge any а. additional required fees or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 501373. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) Warning: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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